

CITY OF BELLEVUE
CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Regular Session

January 7, 2002
8:00 p.m.

Council Chambers
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Marshall, Deputy Mayor Degginger, Councilmembers Davidson, Lee, Mosher, and Noble

ABSENT: Councilmember Creighton

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:08 p.m. by Mayor Marshall, who presided.

2. Roll Call, Flag Salute

Upon roll call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers except Mr. Creighton were present. Mr. Noble led the flag salute.

Mayor Marshall announced that during the earlier study session she was selected by the Council to serve as mayor and Mr. Degginger was selected to serve as deputy mayor for the next two years. Mrs. Marshall thanked Councilmembers, the community, and her family for their support.

Deputy Mayor Degginger thanked Mr. Mosher for his leadership as mayor during the past two years.

3. Communications: Written and Oral

- (a) Iris Tocher provided an update on the West Lake Hills Citizen Advisory Committee, which was appointed by the Council and began meeting in September. The CAC has identified the following priorities for the West Lake Hills area: 1) neighborhood gathering and meeting places, 2) vitality of shopping centers and neighborhood businesses, 3) visual image and sense of identity, 4) completion of pedestrian and bike connections, and 5) embracing diversity of community. She thanked Councilmembers for their support.
- (b) Laura Carroll expressed support for the pedestrian improvement project along 156th Avenue SE described in Agenda Item 8(f). She noted that the Lake Hills Greenbelt is an environmentally sensitive wetland and wildlife habitat. She supports the City's plans to study alternatives and to provide opportunities for early community involvement.

4. Reports of Community Councils, Boards and Commissions: None.

5. Report of the City Manager

City Manager Steve Sarkozy noted that reconstruction of the SE 40th Street boat ramp is underway and repairs are expected to be completed in early to mid-February.

Mr. Sarkozy announced that the City's web site has been upgraded and redesigned to enhance the public's access to information. He thanked Public Information Officer Ron Langley and the project team for their work.

6. Council Business

Mr. Mosher attended an event at Bellevue Art Museum and the swearing in ceremony for Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels and four reelected Councilmembers.

Mr. Lee recently returned from a trip to Taiwan, where he celebrated his father-in-law's 100th birthday. He commented that the trip reinforced for him the importance of family and community.¹ Mr. Lee was appointed today to serve as Regional Administrator for Region 10 of the U.S. Small Business Administration.

Deputy Mayor Degginger attended a meeting of the Construction Code Advisory Committee.

Mayor Marshall asked Council to consider canceling the January 14 Extended Study Session in order to allow Councilmembers to attend an event for Senator Patty Murray that evening.

☞ Mr. Mosher moved to cancel the January 14 Council meeting, and Deputy Mayor Degginger seconded the motion.

☞ The motion to cancel the January 14 Council meeting carried by a vote of 6-0.

7. Approval of the Agenda

☞ Deputy Mayor Degginger moved to approve the agenda, and Mr. Noble seconded the motion.

☞ The motion to approve the agenda carried by a vote of 6-0.

8. Consent Calendar

Mayor Marshall requested pulling item 8(f) for Council discussion.

☞ Deputy Mayor Degginger moved to approve the Consent Calendar, as amended, and Mr. Lee seconded the motion.

¹ Added at the request of Councilmember Lee and approved by Council on January 22, 2002.

- ➡ The motion to approve the amended Consent Calendar carried by a vote of 6-0, and the following items were approved:
- (a) Minutes of November 26, 2001 Extended Study Session
Minutes of December 3, 2001 Special Meeting
Minutes of December 3, 2001 Study Session
Minutes of December 3, 2001 Regular Session
Minutes of December 10, 2001 Study Session
Minutes of December 10, 2001 Regular Session
 - (b) Motion to approve payment of claims for the period ending December 10, 2001, and payroll for the period November 16 through November 30, 2001.
 - (c) Motion to approve payment of claims for the period ending December 24, 2001, and payroll for the period December 1 through December 15, 2001.
 - (d) Resolution No. 6646 authorizing execution of a single new form of agreement for Emergency Fire and Medical Communication Services with current customers who will pay 2002 service fees totaling \$1,441,675 and for future communication center customers using the new formula.
 - (e) Resolution No. 6647 authorizing execution of a consultant agreement with Kristen Betty & Associates to provide construction inspection services for the 140th Avenue corridor improvement project from SE 8th to NE 8th Street in the amount of \$88,140. (CIP Plan No. PW-R-103)
 - (g) Resolution No. 6649 authorizing execution of a consultant services agreement with CHS Engineers for engineering design services for replacement or repair of water mains, storm drains, and sanitary sewers in several locations, to be completed ahead of planned street improvements, in the amount of \$100,000. (CIP Plan Nos. D-64, S-24, W-16)
 - (h) Resolution No. 6650 authorizing approval of payment for final settlement of a claim filed against the City for property damage to the Sprague residence located at 13430 SE 43rd Place caused by a clogged sewer line in the amount of \$25,084.57.

Item for Council discussion:

- (f) Resolution No. 6648 authorizing execution of a consultant agreement with Entranco Engineers, Inc. for pre-design including preliminary assessment of environmental impacts, permit requirements, public involvement process, and alternatives analysis for pedestrian improvements to 156th Avenue SE, north of Lake Hills Boulevard to SE 24th Street, in the *Lake Hills neighborhood* in the amount of \$328,399. (CIP Plan No. PW-W/B-68)

Mayor Marshall noted that the resolution will provide an analysis of alternatives for pedestrian improvements along 156th Avenue SE. She feels this is a great deal of money to spend on planning and would prefer to see more of the money spent on project construction.

Transportation Director Goran Sparrman explained the need to conduct thorough project definition and planning in order to avoid potential additional costs during later project phases. The funds provided with Resolution No. 6648 will cover project costs through the 30 percent design phase. As an option, Mr. Sparrman said Council could choose to commit less money now and wait for staff to bring back an interim project report.

Mr. Mosher suggested a trail system other than traditional sidewalks given the environmental sensitivity of the area. Mr. Sparrman confirmed that staff is looking at alternative designs and the leading candidate at this time is a raised boardwalk traversing the wetland.

In response to Mr. Degginger, Mr. Sparrman said the activities reflected in Resolution No. 6648 include an extensive public involvement process.

- ➡ Deputy Mayor Degginger moved to approve Resolution No. 6648, and Mr. Noble seconded the motion.

Mrs. Marshall requested an interim report from staff once project alternatives are identified by the community. She encouraged the City to spend money evaluating only the alternatives of interest to residents.

- ➡ The motion to approve Resolution No. 6648 carried by a vote of 6-0.

Mr. Sparrman said staff will prepare an interim design report for Council after project alternatives are identified.

9. Public Hearings: None.

10. Land Use: None.

11. Other Ordinances, Resolutions and Motions

- (a) Ordinance No. 5351 relating to simplification of the special dedication procedure which allows property owners within the Downtown to dedicate right-of-way to the City without compensation in exchange for including the land area for the purpose of computing the maximum floor area ratio (FAR) for development of the property; amending Section 20.25A.020D of the Bellevue Land Use Code.

Carol Helland, Land Use Director, asked Council to consider whether the City should amend the special dedication procedure for Downtown properties to streamline the process that allows Downtown property owners to convey right-of-way to the City without compensation in exchange for including the land area for the purpose of computing maximum floor area ratio (FAR) for development of their property. Ms. Helland recalled that staff discussed this issue

with Council last fall, and Council then sent the issue to the Planning Commission for further study. The Planning Commission recommends approval of amendments to the special dedication procedure of the Land Use Code as outlined in Ordinance No. 5351.

- ➡ Mr. Mosher moved to adopt Ordinance No. 5351, and Deputy Mayor Degginger seconded the motion.
- ➡ The motion to adopt Ordinance No. 5351 carried by a vote of 6-0.
 - (b) Motion to approve a change order to increase and extend the Demolition Dirt Works contract, Bid No. 0158, in the amount of \$22,115 for a total contract amount of \$86,877 to allow for additional asbestos-containing material abatement at the Dragon Boat Restaurant/Kinko's Copy Center building for the I-405/Bellevue Downtown Access Project. (CIP Plan No. PW-I-46)

Mr. Sparrman said this item represents a change order to an existing contract for the demolition of a building at NE 8th Street and 116th Avenue NE. This action is related to the Access Downtown project and will widen both the north and east legs of this intersection. Mr. Sparrman explained that the building had been remodeled several times and therefore the consultant was initially unable to identify some instances of asbestos in the walls which were not factored into the bid for this demolition work.

- ➡ Deputy Mayor Degginger moved to approve a change order to increase and extend the Demolition Dirt Works contract, Bid No. 0158, and Mr. Noble seconded the motion.
- ➡ The motion to approve a change order to increase and extend the Demolition Dirt Works contract, Bid No. 0158, carried by a vote of 6-0.

- 12. Unfinished Business: None.
- 13. Continued Oral Communications: None.
- 14. New business: None.
- 15. Executive Session: None.
- 16. Adjournment

At 8:38 p.m., Mayor Marshall declared the meeting adjourned.

Myrna L. Basich
City Clerk

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